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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2003 in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 13-28 are pending.

Claims 13-28 are subject to a restriction-election requirement.

ELECTION/RESTRICTION

Applicants hereby elect with traverse, prosecution of Group I, claims 13-27, drawn to a method and withdrawal of Group II, claim 28 drawn to an apparatus.

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The restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 between the Group II, claims 13-27, drawn to a method, and withdrawal of Group II, claim 28 drawn to an apparatus is respectfully traversed, particularly since it is believed that these claims are sufficiently related to permit them to be retained in the same application, and an undue burden would <u>not</u> be placed on the Examiner to simultaneously examine and process these claims. Nevertheless, Applicants confirm the provisional election with traverse of the Group I claims drawn to a method. The Group II claim has been withdrawn from further consideration by the Applicants as being directed to a non-elected invention.

The application and claims are believed to be in a condition for allowance in their present form and which allowance is respectfully requested.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is hereby authorized to call Applicant's Attorney, Robert Thompson, at Telephone Number (585) 423-2050, Rochester, New York.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE:

Claim 28 has been withdrawn.

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